

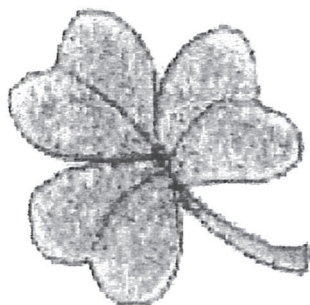
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* * THIS MONTH'S * * MEETING

MARCH 2006

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* * MEETING LOCATION *

7:00 pm
Redwood Multipurpose Center
3100 S. Redwood Rd, SLC

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Stephen L. Carr, Author of
"Ghost Towns of Utah" and
"Ghost Railroads of Utah",
will be our Special Guest Speaker.

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PROMPTNESS PRIZE:
* There is a free drawing for those who come *
* to the meeting on time. Just sign the log *
* book. Also, enter our monthly contest for *
* more prizes, and a really nice grand prize! *

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Thursday, April 27, 2006
7:00 p.m.
Redwood Multipurpose Center
3100 S. Redwood Rd, SLC, UT

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To Be Announced.

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* "The only sure thing about luck is
* that is will change."
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* - Bret Harte
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President's Message —

We have a lot of things going on this month. We will be voting on the medal design for this year. We are having the find of the month, so bring what you want that you found since November.

We have a great speaker coming. He is Stephen L. Carr, author of "Ghost Towns of Utah" and "Ghost Railroads of Utah". He will bring some books in case some want to buy.

I hope everyone will come and enjoy it.

Thanks - Don Swain



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LAST MEETING

NUTS had their "Bourse" night for trading, swapping, wheeling, and dealing of anything of value among club members. A great time was had by all! We missed you!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 23, 2006 - NUTS Meeting at the Redwood Road Multipurpose Center, at 7:00 pm. Topic to be announced at a later date.

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND - Annual outing to a Ghost town.

For the next few months, we will have excerpts from the book entitled:

"Union, Utah: Our Heritage of pioneers, People, Places, and Events", by the Union Fort Camp of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers. Compiled by: Colleen J. Carlsen, Louise C. Green, and Helenmarr S. Johnson. Included is a history of Union and includes events or subjects that have influenced the people who lived in Union and Union Fort.

CIVIL WAR

On December 25, 1832, Joseph Smith prophesied that a civil war would occur, beginning in South Carolina which would divide the Southern States and the Northern States.

A year after arriving in the Valley, a civil government was set up March 5, 1849, as the State of Deseret with Brigham Young as governor. However, being recognized by our national government was not so easy. In 1850 Utah was made the Territory of Utah with Young as territorial governor.

Various federal agents arrived in 1851 and found an effective system of government. They did everything they could to stir up the saints and eventually returned to Washington with lies about the "treacherous Mormon skullduggery". One judge agreed with the Mormons while here, then lied when he returned to Washington.

A theory was recently set forth (Deseret News 5/20/91) that there was a conspiracy by Southern sympathizers to manipulate newly-elected President Buchanan to send 5500 Union army troops (on third of the 15,000 Union army) 2,000 miles away to put down a non-existent rebellion by the Mormons. This action weakened the Union army and put a drain on the nation's treasury and animals.

On July 24, 1857, the pioneers first learned about the troops while celebrating their Tenth anniversary of entering the valley. Some of the federal troops left Fort Leavenworth in July 1857, others not till September. Foul weather hampered their movement until they reached Ft. Bridger and found it burned out, with other harassments. Fort Supply was also burned as well as wagon trains with supplies. Eleven hundred pioneers were sent to fortify the mountain passes. The settlers were told not to kill, but to harass the army and make it too miserable for the army to enter the Valley.

Before Johnston's army reached the Valley, President Buchanan had cancelled the mission, but he failed to send such orders to Johnston. Confrontation was avoided and on June 26, 1858, the troops marched through the Valley and south to set up at Campo Floyd (Fairfield). The camp started with 3500 soldiers, and additional 1500 employees and followers. It is said that "contracts to build the Fort and furnish supplies from Kansas were all awarded to three Missourians with strong southern ties. Much of the \$40 million went from the Union treasury to the South for those contracts.

George and Ann Carson's families settled in South Cottonwood (Union) after arrival in the Valley on September 24, 1851. In December 1855 the families of John Carson, Washington, George, David and William Huff Carson moved to Fairfield, Utah. On June 26, 1858, they were in the act of moving south when they were met by Johnston who promised them if they would return to their homes in Fairfield, they

would be afforded protection.

Ironically, an economic boost came about because of the presence of the military in Utah. A fortune was spent in contracts for local carpenters, masons, blacksmiths, etc., and fruits and vegetables were purchased from farmers. Contracts were let to two lumber mills.

South Carolina seceded from the Union in December 1860. Ten more states seceded: Texas, Arkansas, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Louisiana, Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee. The Civil War started April 12, 1861, when Fort Sumter was fired upon begun by South Carolina. Johnston and all but 700 soldiers were withdrawn from Camp Floyd to fight for the Confederacy. Johnston was killed at Shiloh.

Camp Floyd was renamed Camp Crittenden (after the new Secretary of War), and commanded by Phillip S. Cooke. The Fort was abandoned in late 1861 and almost \$4,000,000 worth of stock-piled army supplies and staple goods were mostly sold to the LDS Church, such goods going to help Zion's Cooperative Mercantile Institution (Z.C.M.I.) Get its start.

The population of Fairfield dropped back to a few. The John Carson family erected the Stage Coach Inn which has now been deeded to the State of Utah. Camp Floyd and the Carsons played a major role in both state and national history.

Horton D. Haight, pioneer of 1847, crossed the plains many times and showed himself to be trustworthy. He was therefore entrusted with the funds to purchase telegraphic equipment in the east and bring it west. On October 16, 1866, he brought a Church train of 65 wagons carrying 84 tons of batteries, insulators, wire and other equipment which would ultimately be used to construct the telegraph lines.

Long before the first guns were fired, both the North and the South recognized the importance of Utah, knowing that due to the position of the territory on the Overland Route, its people could destroy mail stations, stage connections, and even sever telegraph lines along the trail between the east and west; thus the call was made for protection of these vital lines.

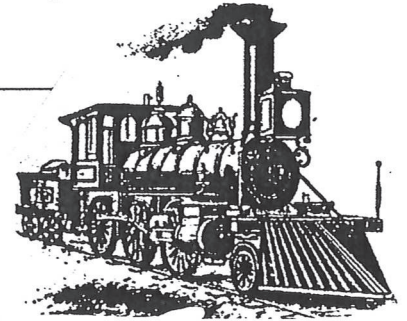
After the Civil War started, the trans-continental stage lines and telegraph were moved north, passing through Salt Lake City and Utah Territory, out of reach of Confederate troops. To protect these, the Nauvoo Legion was called early 1862 for 90 days. In July 1862 Colonel Connor was ordered to relieve the Nauvoo Legion. Since Camp Floyd was nothing more than adobe walls, Colonel Connor stationed his troops on a hill east of Salt Lake City (to become Ft. Douglas). It was said that he placed a cannon pointed west where the target could be President Young's home.

Daughters of Utah Pioneers Marker #270, "Utah and the Civil War". is placed on the southwest corner of the State Capitol grounds, reading: "This monument honors the Utah men who answered the call to protect the mail and telegraph lines along the continental route during the Civil War. Acting Governor of Utah Frank Fuller called for volunteers from the Nauvoo Legion on April 25, 1862. The next day twenty-four men

under Colonel Robert T. Burton left for the assignment. Two days later Brigham Young received an authorization from President Abraham Lincoln through Secretary of War Stanton for a company of cavalry to serve ninety days protecting the same route. One hundred six men responded for duty under Captain Lot Smith. Later some Utah men joined the Third Regiment, California Volunteers, stationed at Fort Douglas, October 1862-July 1866. Other pioneers served in the Civil War before coming to Utah."

NEXT MONTH: DEFENSE & GOLD RUSH

FIND OF THE MONTH CATEGORIES



1. **U.S. COIN:** Any coin of legal tender minted in the U.S.
2. **FOREIGN COIN:** Any coin of legal tender minted in a foreign country but not minted in the U.S.
3. **TOKEN:** Any commercial trade token good for some value in trade. (Does not include good luck tokens, presidential tokens, commemorative medallions, etc.)
4. **JEWELRY:** Any jewelry item including rings, cuff links, watch fobs, pins, necklaces, brooches, medallions, charms, etc.
5. **ARTIFACT:** Any man-made artifact including arrowheads, bottles, jewelry, etc.
6. **BUTTON:** Any clothing fastener or snap (Does not include advertising or political pin-on buttons).
7. **MARBLE:** Any glass, agate, clay, wooden, etc., marble.
8. **NON-METAL:** Any item not containing metal including bottles (Without metal caps), arrowheads, plastic toys, glass items, wooden items, rocks (No metal included), gems, etc. **NO MARBLES MAY BE USED IN THIS CATEGORY !!**
9. **BEST TREASURE HUNT FIND:** This includes anything found at our club sponsored treasure hunt for that month only.
10. **OLDEST U.S. COIN:** Oldest U.S. legal tender coin that is not a cent.
11. **OLDEST U.S. CENT:** Oldest U.S. legal tender cent.
12. **MOST VALUABLE U.S. COIN:** U.S. legal tender coin with a graded value of \$20.00 or more based on an appraisal from a reputable coin dealer or the current red book price guide of U.S. coins. In the absence of an appraisal, the Wagon Masters will make the final determination as to the coins value.
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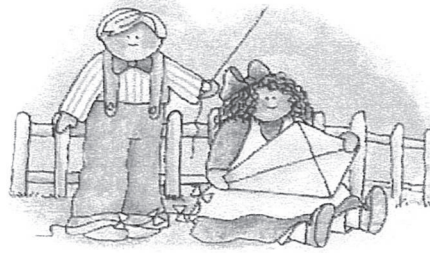
- Irish Proverb

?? SPRING ??

The first day of spring is one thing,
and the first spring day is another.

The difference between them is
sometimes as great as a month.

- Henry Van Dyke



IRISH TOAST

May you have warm words on a
cold evening, a full moon on a
dark night, and a smooth road all
the way to your door.

THE IRISH LANGUAGE

The language of Erin is brilliant as gold;
It shines with a lustre unrivaled of old.
Even glanced at by strangers by whom
'Tis unknown

It dazzles their eyes with a light all its
own!

- James Clarence Mangan

IRISH PROVERB's

Your feet will bring you to where your
heart is.

It's easy to halve the potato
when there's love.

May you have the hindsight to
know where you've been and
foresight to know where you're
going and the insight to know
when you're going too far.

CELTIC BLESSING

Bless to me, O God, the earth
beneath my feet,
Bless to me, O God, the path
whereon I go,
Bless to me, O God, the
people whom I meet,
Today, tonight and tomorrow.

IRISH BLESSINGS

May the face of every good
news and the back of every
bad news be towards us.

May good luck be with you
Wherever you go,
And your blessings out number
The shamrocks that grow.

May the lilt of Irish laughter
Lighten every load,
May the mist of Irish magic
Shorten every load,
May you taste the sweetest pleasures
That fortune ere bestowed,
And may all your friends remember
All the favors you are owed.

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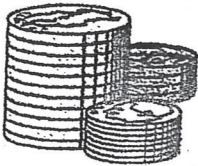
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